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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Size, Weight, and Load Restrictions - Emergency Vehicles**

3 FOR the purpose of specifying that certain size, weight, and load provisions do not
4 apply to any emergency vehicle; and generally relating to the applicability of
5 size, weight, and load provisions to emergency vehicles.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article - Transportation
8 Section 11-118
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article - Transportation
13 Section 24-101(a)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article - Transportation**

19 11-118.

20 "Emergency vehicle" means any of the following vehicles that are designated by
21 the Administration as entitled to the exemptions and privileges set forth in the
22 Maryland Vehicle Law for emergency vehicles:

23 (1) Vehicles of federal, State, or local law enforcement agencies;

24 (2) Vehicles of volunteer fire companies, rescue squads, fire
25 departments, the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, and
26 the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute;

- 1 (3) State vehicles used in response to oil or hazardous materials spills;
- 2 (4) State vehicles designated for emergency use by the Commissioner of
3 Correction;
- 4 (5) Ambulances; and
- 5 (6) Special vehicles funded or provided by federal, State, or local
6 government and used for emergency or rescue purposes in this State.

7 24-101.

8 (a) The provisions of this subtitle governing size, weight, and load do not apply
9 to:

- 10 (1) [Fire apparatus] EMERGENCY VEHICLES;
- 11 (2) Farm equipment temporarily moved on a highway; or
- 12 (3) A vehicle driven under the terms of a special permit issued under this
13 subtitle.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2004.